

# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **May 28, 2002**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 13

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

(Confidential)

ITEM TITLE: **Courthouse Security Fees**

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of the attached ordinance.

SUMMARY: During its 2002 session the General Assembly amended the state code to allow any county or city to assess a fee of up to five dollars (\$5.00) in each criminal or traffic case in the district and circuit courts. The fees are to be collected by the clerk's of the courts, remitted to and held by the locality until appropriated by the local governing body to the sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse security.

PRIOR ACTION(S): None

FISCAL IMPACT: The City estimates that it will collect approximately \$38,000 to be used for courthouse security.

CONTACT(S): Bonnie M. Svrcek, 847-1446 Ext. 224

ATTACHMENT(S): Ordinance adding Section 2-363.2 to the City Code.

REVIEWED BY:

## ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG, 1981, BY ADDING THERETO A NEW SECTION NUMBERED 2-363.2, RELATING TO COURTHOUSE SECURITY FEES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG:

1. That the Code of the City of Lynchburg, 1981, be and the same is hereby amended and reenacted by adding thereto Section 2-363.2 as follows:

Sec. 2-363.2. Courthouse security fees.

Beginning on July 1, 2002, and continuing thereafter until changed by city council, there is hereby assessed pursuant to the provisions of Section 53.1-120 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the sum of five dollars (\$5.00) as part of the costs taxed in each criminal or traffic case in the circuit court, juvenile and domestic relations district court and the general district court of the City of Lynchburg, Virginia, in which the defendant is convicted of a violation of any statute or ordinance, said fees to be used for the provision of courthouse and courtroom security. The fees provided for herein shall be in addition to any other fees prescribed by law.

Fees hereby levied shall be collected by the clerks of the respective courts in which the criminal and traffic cases are heard, and shall be remitted to the city's billings and collections division and shall be held by the billings and collections division until appropriated by city council to the sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse and courtroom security.

2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

Adopted:

Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

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